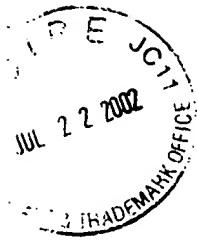


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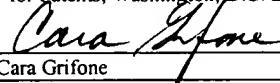
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated January 17, 2002, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, consisting of Claims 1-7, 12-13, drawn to nucleic acids and host cells, classified in class 435, subclass 69.1. In particular, Applicant elects SEQ. ID. NO: 31 for examination purposes with traverse.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on July 16, 2002, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231


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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

Although no additional fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Response, if any additional fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Acct. No. 50-1355.

Respectfully submitted,

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